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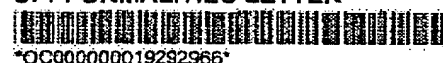
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- \$130 for English translation surcharge required.

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**For FY 2006**☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 310.00

**Complete if Known**

Application Number	10/567,305
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First Named Inventor	Klaus Hofmann
Examiner Name	Unknown
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

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Multiple dependent claims				360	180
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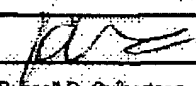
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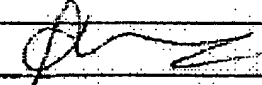
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Printed name	Russell D. Culbertson		
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